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In re application of: Richard J. Schneider, Vincent S. Manfredi

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to Examination, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 7 with the following:

The triggers are typically static, such as awarding a complementary meal coupon when a player has a requisite amount of coin-in over a meal given period. Other triggers can be dynamic or based on dynamic variables, such as awarding a free return play to the top 10% of players in a casino or group of casinos over a given time period.

The full text of the replacement paragraph without markings to show changes is reproduced below:

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dynamic or based on dynamic variables, such as awarding a free return play to the top 10% of players in a casino or group of casinos over a given time period.

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